



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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607 14th Street, N.W.
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RE: MUR 6044
Musgrove for Senate
Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee

Dear Mr. Elias:

On August 2, 2008, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Musgrove for Senate and C. Dale Shearer, in his official capacity as Treasurer ("Musgrove"), and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and John B. Poersch, Jr., in his official capacity as Treasurer ("DSCC"), of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On May 15, 2009, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by you, that there is no reason to believe Musgrove violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b), 441a(f) and 441d or the DSCC violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 441a(d). In addition, the Commission voted to dismiss the allegation that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a)(2) on the basis of prosecutorial discretion. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A Statement of Reasons further explaining the basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

If you have any questions, please contact Elena Paoli, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie McConnell", is written over a horizontal line.

Julie McConnell
Assistant General Counsel

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